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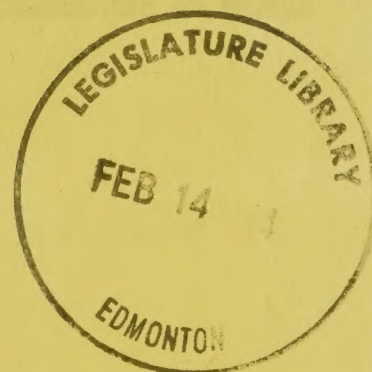
## SELECT SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY REFORM (1993)

on

### THE ROLE AND MANDATE OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS



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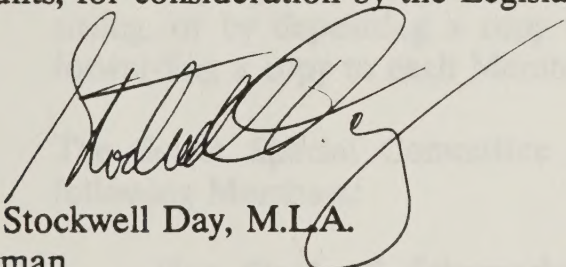


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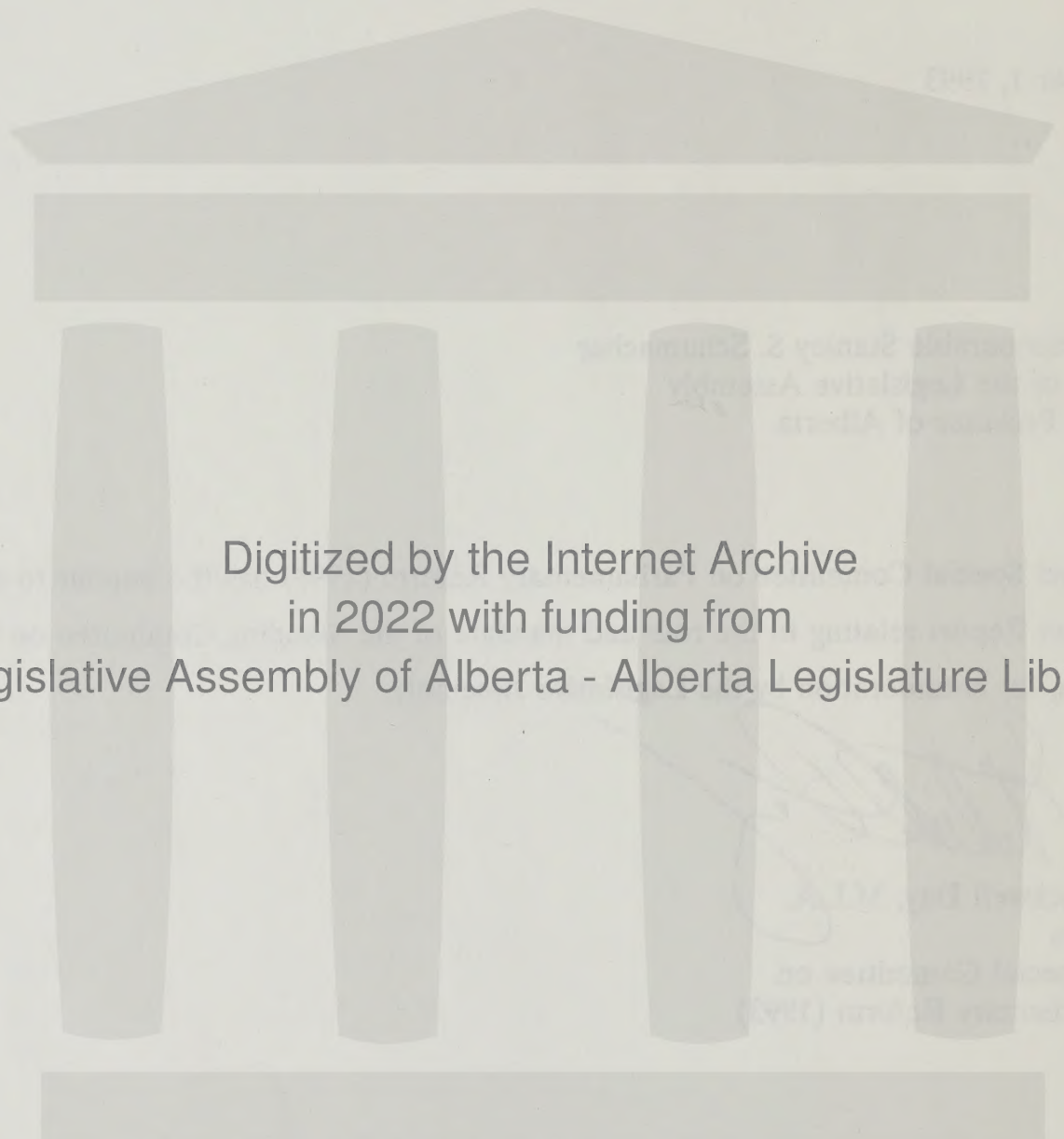
December 1, 1993

To the Honourable Stanley S. Schumacher  
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly  
of the Province of Alberta

The Select Special Committee on Parliamentary Reform (1993) has the honour to submit an interim Report relating to the role and mandate of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, for consideration by the Legislative Assembly.



Hon. Stockwell Day, M.L.A.  
Chairman  
Select Special Committee on  
Parliamentary Reform (1993)



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## MANDATE

### **BE IT RESOLVED THAT**

- (1) A Select Special Committee on Parliamentary Reform of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta be established to review and report to the Legislative Assembly on its deliberations and present recommendations on:
  - (a) the application of the sub judice rule in proceedings of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, by November 1, 1993;
  - (b) the feasibility of minority reports of committees and subcommittees of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, by November 15, 1993;
  - (c) the role and mandate of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, by December 1, 1993.
- (2) The Select Special Committee shall consider the current functioning status of the Assembly and review ways of making it more responsive to the needs and values of the citizens of Alberta and elected Members within the context of our parliamentary system and traditions.
- (3) The Select Special Committee shall table its reports in the Assembly if it is then sitting, or by depositing a copy with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and forwarding a copy to each Member if the Assembly is adjourned.
- (4) The Select Special Committee on Parliamentary Reform shall consist of the following Members:

Hon. Stanley S. Schumacher, Speaker  
Hon. Stockwell Day, Chairman  
Hon. Halvar Jonson  
Mr. Roy Brassard  
Mr. Frank Bruseker  
Mr. Clint Dunford  
Mr. Gary Friedel  
Mr. Adam Germain  
Mrs. Bettie Hewes  
Mrs. Bonnie Laing  
Mr. Grant Mitchell.
- (5) Reasonable disbursements by the Committee for staff assistance, equipment and supplies, public information needs and other expenditures necessary for the effective conduct of its responsibilities shall be paid, subject to the approval of the Chairman.

- (6) In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee may utilize the services of the staff employed by the Legislative Assembly.
- (7) The Chairman and Members of the Committee shall be paid in accordance with the schedule of Category "A" Committees provided in Members' Services Committee Order 10/89.



## **RECOMMENDATION**

The Select Special Committee on Parliamentary Reform (1993) recommends that the number of members on the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be reduced from twenty-one (21) to seventeen (17).

The Select Special Committee also recommends that membership on the Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the 23rd Legislature be composed of eleven (11) Government Members and six (6) Official Opposition Members.

Members of the Select Special Committee on Parliamentary Reform will continue to review the role and mandate of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and present further recommendations to the Legislative Assembly in the near future.



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